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SUBJECT: USESCO 18TH GC RESOLUTION ON ISRAELI EXCAVATIONS

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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED USG CONCERNS RE PROPOSED SANCTIONS ON ISRAEL PER REFTEL WITH MFA DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS WHO WAS UNAWARE OF EITHER DRAFT RESOLUTION OR BDG CO-SPONSORSHIP OF IT. BDG REP AT UNESCO WAS NOT INSTRUCTED ON THIS ISSUE ALTHOUGH RESOLUTION IS IN KEEPING WITH GENERAL BDG POLICY AND REPRESENTATIVE WAS GIVEN DISCRETION TO USE OWN JUDGMENT ON SUCH ISSUES AS MIGHT ARISE. MFA DIRECTOR REQUESTED COPY OF DRAFT RESOLUTION SO THAT HE MIGHT INFORM FOREIGN SECRETARY OF USG CONCERNS BEFORE FORSEC LEAVES TOMORROW TO ACCOMPANY PRIME MINISTER ON OFFICIAL VISITS TO CAIRO AND KUWAIT.

2. BDG IS A STAUNCH SUPPORTER OF ARAB CAUSE AND IS CURRENTLY CULTIVATING OPEC COUNTRIES FOR MUCH NEEDED ASSISTANCE; FOREIGN MINISTER WHO IS NOW IN SAUDI ARABIA WILL JOIN PRIMIN IN CAIRO. THUS, WE SEE LITTLE OR NO POSSIBILITY OF BDG MODERATING ITS POSITION ON RESOLUTION'S LANGUAGE UNLESS ARAB STATES TAKE THE LEAD.

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